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be compelled to do this, when the safety of themselves and their property is at stake. but it is necessary, and an ordinance should be passed compelling owners of draft animals to see that they are shod properly, which is humanely.

W. J. L.

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**Signatures for Minor Licenses.**

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

While the Morse bill now pending in the United States Senate is criticised by the public, I take the liberty to give my views, especially in regard to the requirement of signatures necessary to obtain a license.

There are perhaps a few cases where the restaurant keeper is fleeced and has to purchase some of the signatures, but I doubt very much whether such statements can

be verified, and therefore, based upon "hearsay," ought not to have any weight in the matter, and is not a sufficient reason to deprive tenants and owners of property of their rights to choose to sign or refuse.

A majority of tenants and owners of property may feel disposed to sign an application once, but during the year some of the tenants may have moved, and also property "real estate" may have changed

hands; and I do not see why the new occupants and owners of real estate should not have the privilege of a voice in the matter. Instead of being obliged, as now, to submit to the action of their predecessors, whether for or against. The law should be explicit, plain and fair on all sides, especially as regards outside influence, fictitious ownership and tenants.

"FAIR PLAY."

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**England's Gain by the Arbitration Treaty.**

To the Editor of The Evening Star:

It is strange that none of your correspondents have pointed out that the immediate effect of an Anglo-American treaty of arbitration will be to release a large land

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**What Other Cities Do.**  
To the Editor of The Evening Star:  
The state of affairs existing among the poor of this city is a most inadequate means of relief, as portrayed by the Star for the past week, is saddening in the extreme. That such conditions are possible in the capital city of the richest nation on the globe, under the very shadow of its lofty legislative hall, a city whose many millions of dollars of fortune are spent nightly in lavish entertainments, the cost of the flowers alone being sufficient to keep a poor family for a whole year, is such a sorrowfully unequal conditions are possible is, indeed, a reproach to our nineteenth century civilization.  
Washington is not the only city far behind other cities in relieving the necessities of its poor. From Chicago we read that of the approach of the present severe weather Mayor Harrison ordered the city year-round to relieve all applicants, pledging himself to

become personally responsible for the costs of caring for these city-dwelling homeless men and their families. In Chicago, for example, more than 2,000 homeless persons were sheltered by police and charitable institutions throughout the city last night. In New York, the police turned out in the cold by the police without relief, there being no funds for that purpose." Also in Chicago, in response to a report that the city was about to cut off the thousands of dollars came pouring in the big department stores sending in the money to \$500 to \$1,000. Similar reports also reach us from St. Paul in Minneapolis to the work of the Associated Charities is seriously crippled for the want of funds to carry on its work.

In this land that is to be found in our city, and that the only thing necessary is the "seams of thought" on the subject, it seems to me that every citizen of England should take a collection, every body

nevolent society and every humane person should give "In His name" to the immediate relief of this cry of suffering humanity.

C. S. THORP.

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**AMBASSADOR BAYARD THE HOST.**

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**Dinner to the Prince of Wales in London Last Evening.**

Mr. Bayard, the American ambassador to the court of St. James, gave a dinner

The table was decorated with red, white and blue flowers. The menu was elaborate, and

The Prince of Wales was exceedingly affable throughout the dinner. He talked freely, paying especial attention to Cardinal Vaughan, who was seated near him. At the conclusion of the dinner the Prince of Wales arose and said:

"I drink to the health of the President of the United States."

Mr. Bayard, in return, immediately proposed a toast to the health of the queen. No other toasts were made.

es were made. The Prince of Wales left  
few minutes before midnight and the other  
guests soon followed.

**THE EVENING STAR  
ALMANAC  
& HANDBOOK.**

Every well-informed member of the District of Columbia should possess a copy of THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA YEAR-BOOK, THE STAR ALMANAC AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HANDBOOK.

Its value as a reference dispensary for business desires to keep the day event

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